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VILLA MOVES FORWARD TO ATTACK AT TORREON

ALL RAILROAD EQUIPMENT IN JUAREZ IS EMPLOYED

Rebel Army, Well Provisioned
and Equipped Sent to Meet
Enemy in Long String of
Trains.

MOVEMENTS OF FORCES CAREFULLY GUARDED

Said That Bandit Proposes to
Shut Off All Wire Com-
munication Until After the
Battle.

By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.
Juarez, Mex., March 17.—Authoritative announcement was made here this afternoon that General Villa had left Chihuahua before dawn, moving south toward Torreon.

The news of General Villa's departure, although carefully guarded against by Mexican officials, was taken as indicating that the assault on Torreon would begin at once.

Those familiar with the tactics of the rebel leader believe that he would not delay the attack after making a first movement toward the south.

This belief was borne out by the rigid telegraphic censorship which Villa instituted at Chihuahua two days ago, and the suspension of railroad traffic probably in order to secure all available equipment for the troop movement to the south. The main rebel army, however, has been held in position for the attack for several weeks, and since the raising of the embargo on munitions of war, has been well ammunitioned and armed.

Insurgent officials here apparently were as ignorant of Villa's plans or movements as the public, so right had been the embargo on all news from the south. Railroad telegraph lines were included in the censorship and a ban was placed upon all coded or personal messages.

**VILLA HAS AEROPLANE
READY FOR USE**

Juarez, Mex., March 17.—Rigid censorship of telegraph and the suspension of all railroad traffic south of the border prevented the receipt of any news from the Torreon district. As far as was made known by officials here there has been no fighting about the invested city. Insurgent officials here declined to say whether General Villa remained at Chihuahua City or had departed, as was rumored.

The monoplane which Villa had ordered sent south at once is being repaired here, and will not be ready

for two days. It was known that Villa had planned to use the airplane in the assault on Torreon. High explosive bombs of the contact type will be employed by Captain Alberto Salinas, aviator.

WILL KEEP BACK NEWS UNTIL AFTER BATTLE

El Paso, Tex., March 17.—It is regarded as practically certain that General Villa left Chihuahua today to direct his troops against Torreon. The censorship suddenly became prohibitive this morning, and officials at Juarez declined to talk with newspaper men, but Americans with business interests on the other side of the mountains kept busy warding off unscrupulous admissions of those in position to know, indicate that the big movement of troops has begun, and that the long-awaited battle may be expected soon.

A report was current that General Villa had determined to keep all press dispatches off the wire until after the battle, although he would take newspaper correspondents with him to the front and would allow the story to be written about the battle.

There was no confirmation of this report, except the fact that no press dispatches were received last night or today.

Illfated St. Louis Building Claims More Victims

Three Women and Eight Men
Caught Beneath Falling
Wall of Ruined Missouri
Athletic Club Today.

By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.

St. Louis, March 17.—Three girls and six to eight men were caught under the west wall of the Missouri Athletic club building which was destroyed by fire a week ago, when it was blown over this afternoon and fell on the roof of a four-story building occupied by the St. Louis seed company.

Three of the five were women. Their names were given by officers of the St. Louis Seed company as follows:

HAZEL SUNDERMAN,

MILLIE SUNDERMAN,

MAE MULHEISER.

Building Commissioner McElveen a short time before the collapse ordered the 150 men occupying the ruins to leave. Ten minutes later the wall fell.

William Robbins, an employee of the seed company, clung to a third story window sill until rescued by firemen.

Later three of the young women were taken from the debris. Only one of them was seriously injured.

George O. Zeiboh of Waterloo, Ia., a member of the Missouri Athletic club, and J. E. Morris of Missouri Veterans, both were dragged out alive. Both were hurt slightly. Three men employees of the seed company crawled out of the wreckage little hurt.

C. A. Hanna, head of the construction company repairing the seed company building, said he could account for only eight of the eighteen men at work in the building.

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A report from Rear Admiral Fletcher commanding the American squadron in the Gulf of Mexico says that the American legation has been surrounded and burned. The waterworks seven miles from Tampico perplexed officials here because of the lack of details.

Rear Admiral Howard reported conditions on the west coast as unchanged.

MEXICO HEARS OF SOME SURPRISING APPOINTMENTS

Mexico City, March 17.—The Mexican foreign office announced today that there was a likelihood that Judge George Gray of Wilmington, Del., and Richard Olney, formerly secretary of state, of Boston would visit Mexico to investigate conditions here. Jose Lopez Portillo Rojas, the foreign minister said that either the two men named would be acting only in an unofficial manner, the Mexican government would be glad to receive them.

The Sells Photo Shows will be in Albuquerque March 28th. The parade will be in the forenoon, and immediately after the parade The Evening Herald will give an admission ticket, worth twenty-five cents, to every boy or girl who has secured one new subscriber who is paid in advance for at least one month. The tickets will be given out at the business office of The Evening Herald at 124 North Second street.

Boys and Girls
Here's Your Chance

See The Circus Free

The Evening Herald wants every boy and girl in Albuquerque and vicinity to see the great Sells-Photo Shows free. Many cannot afford the price. To those the Evening Herald offers a free admission ticket if they will get one new subscriber to the Evening Herald, paid in advance for one month at fifty cents per month. The subscriber must be bona fide, to be delivered at some address where the prior is not now going.

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PROPOSES JUNTA OF ALL WARRING FORCES IN MEXICO

Representative Barthold of
Missouri Comes Forward
With Cheerful Plan to Pull
It Off in Washington.

FELIX DIAZ THINKS WELL OF THE SCHEME

Carranza Shows Growing Tendency to Be Decent in Relations With Diplomatic Agents of the Government.

By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.

Washington, March 17.—A conference of representatives of the warring Mexican factions in Washington under the auspices of the United States was proposed in a resolution by Representative Barthold of Missouri, one of the international peace commissioners in Congress.

Mr. Barthold's resolution requests the president to invite representatives of the various governments, the constitutional and other revolutionary leaders to meet here at as early a date as is practicable.

Although there was no authority for the statement of other members of the house who have been in touch with the situation were of opinion that representative Barthold's plan would be regarded with favor by Felix Diaz, nephew of Porfirio Diaz, the former dictator, and who has been lately working to get a nearing between himself through relations committee to propose his peace plan. The Carranzista resolution would provide that the meetings of the Mexican conference would be held in the Pan-American Union building and would appropriate \$25,000 for expenses.

"No one can tell whether my plan will be acceptable to the warring factions in Mexico, but I believe it to be worth the effort," said Representative Barthold.

"Even if the president, in the event of the passage of my resolution, should fail in his efforts to carry out its objects, such failure would never be to our discredit. On the contrary the mere attempt would, in my judgment, challenge the approbation of the civilized world."

CARRANZA SHOWS GROWING TENDENCY TO BE DECENT

El Paso, Tex., March 17.—The favorable trend of negotiations between the state department and General Carranza over the protection of foreigners was made evident today when George C. Carothers, special agent of the department of state, was invited to present at the trial by a military court in Juarez of James Logan, an American negro, charged by the rebels with being a federal spy.

Carothers went to Juarez early in the day and was courteously received by members of the court. This concession in the Logan case comes exactly one month after the sitting of William S. Bent, a British subject, who, it is said, not only had no chance to appear to representatives of his government but was slain without trial.

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Judge Gray Surprised.
Washington, March 17.—Judge Gray was surprised at the news conveyed in the dispatch from Mexico City. It was the first he had heard of a move to send him to Mexico to investigate conditions there, he said, and in the absence of information on the subject

the judge declined to discuss it further.

So Was Washington.
Washington, March 17.—White House officials and others here declared they knew nothing of a proposal to send Judge Gray and Mr. Olney to Mexico.

So Was Olney.
Boston, March 17.—When Richard Olney was told today of the report from Mexico City that he might go to Mexico to investigate conditions there he laughed heartily and said: "That is about the most ridiculous thing that I have heard for a long time. This is the first I have heard of it. I have never contemplated going to Mexico. You can make an unqualified and absolute denial."

Charge Under Influence.
El Paso, Tex., March 17.—Verbal charges were made today in the United States commissioner's court that undue influence had been exercised upon a witness in the case of the United States against Miguel Diebold, federal consul general on the border, and three other Mexican officials. The preliminary hearing was postponed until the missing witness could be located.

The government attorney today questioned a witness regarding the disappearance of one of the eight Mexicans whom, it was charged, had been enlisted at El Paso for service in Mexico.

Minister of Finance Caillaux Resigns from the French Cabinet as Result of Wife's Rash Act.

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Although Caillaux was considered the strongest and most influential member of the cabinet, his colleagues determined to accept his resignation and re-organize the various portfolios.

Renoult, hitherto minister of the interior, will become minister of finance. Louis Marceau, minister of commerce, will succeed Renoult as minister of the interior. Renoult, deputy from Vienna and under-secretary of the interior, will become minister of commerce.

Madame Caillaux, who caused this upheaval in French political life, meanwhile is in St. Lazare prison. Her husband today took an affecting leave of the officials of the ministry of finance.

Acting on information given by Madame Caillaux, the police today took possession of the various papers in the office of the editor of Figaro. It is understood that among these papers were various letters sent by M. Caillaux to his present wife before they were married and while she was still the wife of Leo Claretie. It is generally supposed that Madame Caillaux had received an intimation that Calmette was about to publish these letters and it was this that led her to attack him. Caillaux was a bitter political foe of Caillaux.

The chamber of deputies opened with only fifteen members in their seats. Some hundreds of others spent their time in the lobbies and committee rooms discussing the situation brought about by the assassination of Calmette. Although it was regarded as illegal to hold the cabinet in any way responsible for the crime of Madame Caillaux, yet the opportunity was seized by opponents of the cabinet to denounce M. Caillaux and his associates. The adherents of the government were somewhat disorganized and displayed a sentiment of diminished confidence as to the ministry being able to resist the attacks of the opposition.

Strong police pickets were placed in the vicinity of the private residence of M. Caillaux in Rue Alphonse de Neuville in order to prevent demonstrations.

A group of students from the Latin quarter paraded the streets today and shouted against Caillaux and the cabinet.

PROMINENT DEPUTY ATTACKED BY WOMAN

Paris, March 17.—A young woman singer assaulted Victor Audouze, president of the chamber of deputies, as he was about to open parliament today. Much excitement was caused by the attack, owing to its happening so soon after the assassination of Gaston Calmette.

"Whenever you see any inclination to treat me as an equal with the Republicans, I hope you will swear to it," said the woman. "I am a woman and I will not be beaten."

STEAMER ON ROCKS
OFF NEW FOUNDLAND

Halifax, N. S., March 17.—The steamer City of Sydney, New York for St. John's, N. S., is on the rocks at Sambro, a few miles from here. She struck during a dense fog today and watered in her hold put out the fire. She carries a number of passengers.

The tug Rosemary reached the stranded steamer during the morning and immediately took off eleven passengers and part of the crew. The Rosemary reported by wireless that the Sydney was in a bad position and likely to be a total loss.

DREYFUS MAY YET
LIVE TO STAND TRIAL

By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.

Denver, March 17.—Jerome Dreyfus, the loan and insurance broker who shot himself yesterday at the home of his credit on charges of forgery, was reported much improved today. Physicians think he will recover.

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